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Attorney Docket No. 213222.00016

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Quynh H. Nguyen
MICHAEL STUMM, ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2642
Application No.: 09/722,500)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 5562
Filed: November 28, 2000)	
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For: TELECOMMUNICATIONS)	May 4, 2005
ARCHITECTURE	:	

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION CONFIRMING THAT NEW
OFFICE ACTION IS FORTHCOMING**

Sir:

This is to confirm that, with respect to the Office Action mailed on November 4, 2005, a new Office Action will be forthcoming, and therefore, no substantive response is required on the merits of the November 4, 2005 Office Action.

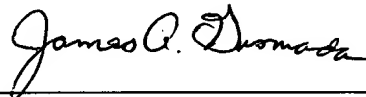
In accordance with a personal interview between Examiner Nguyen and her supervisor, Examiner Ahmad Matar, and Applicants' attorney on March 22, 2005, it was agreed that the claim rejections based on WO 00/41406 to Willehadson et al. shall be withdrawn and that a "new office action will be forthcoming". A copy of the Interview Summary that evidences this agreement is attached to this response.

In addition, in a telephone conference with Examiner Nguyen earlier today, Applicants' attorney has confirmed that no action by Applicants is presently required.

Therefore, Applicants are presently awaiting a new Office Action. In view of the fact that no action by Applicants is presently required, it is believed that no fee is due. However, in the event that a fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1710. Any overpayments should also be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

Applicants' attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

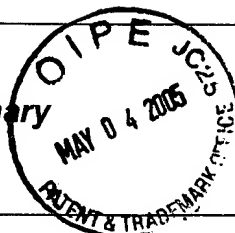
Respectfully submitted,



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Interview Summary



Application No.

09/722,500

Applicant(s)

STUMM ET AL.

Examiner

Quynh H Nguyen

Art Unit

2642

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Quynh H Nguyen.

(3) _____

(2) Jim Gromada

(4) _____

Date of Interview: 3/22/05

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes

e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 2, 17, 32, 33, 35

Identification of prior art discussed: _____

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: _____

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

It was agreed that Willehadson does not teach the use of "plurality of terminals", "plurality of terminal agents", "plurality of subscribers" and "plurality of subscriber agents" along with the recited relationships. Examiners agreed to withdraw the rejection based on Willehadson.

However, the claims are believed to be written in a broad manner such that they would read on, for example, a system having electronic cards (sub. agents) and having devices (telephones) w/ electronic card readers (terminal agents).

A new office action will be forthcoming.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required